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**Governor Scott Announces \$2.5 million Investment for the South
Florida Logistics Center**
Project will create/support 1,015 jobs

MIAMI – Governor Rick Scott today announced that the \$39.9 million South Florida Logistics Center (SFLC) project will receive a \$2.5 million grant from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). South Florida Logistics Services, a subsidiary of Florida East Coast Industries, Inc. (FECI), is developing the SFLC and requesting the transportation infrastructure funds for ILC site access roads at FEC Hialeah Yard and 67th Ave., truck loading ramps and internal traffic circulation roads.

Governor Scott said, “I am committed to ensuring that our transportation projects create more job opportunities for Florida families. With this \$2.5 million investment for the South Florida Logistics Center, we’ll create more than one thousand jobs for families in the Miami area, which is great news.”

This \$2.5 million investment is among the first four grants for the Intermodal Logistics Center (ILC) Infrastructure Support Program. This program provides an annual allocation of \$5,000,000 with a 50 percent matching fund requirement from applicants.

ILCs play a significant role in expanding our trade and logistics infrastructure by enhancing the state’s seaports, airports, railroads, and supporting intermodal highway connectors.

FDOT Secretary Ananth Prasad said, “The Intermodal Logistics Center (ILC) Infrastructure Support Program is an important part of the department’s commitment to support freight growth in Florida. By enhancing our trade and logistics infrastructure we will create job opportunities and strengthen Florida’s economy.”

Chris Scott, President and CEO of South Florida Logistics Services said, “The Florida Department of Transportation’s comprehensive trade and logistics infrastructure programs represent a powerful engine for economic growth, fueling both job creation and a renewed interest in South Florida as the nation’s premier international business hub. This grant will inject resources directly into the construction of an advanced transportation road network that will move goods seamlessly through our ports, and across our state and to destinations throughout the country.”

FDOT selected four projects to fund from a total of eight applications received in the FY 2012/2013 funding cycle. The other three selected projects include Keystone ILC Terminal (Jacksonville), Port of Panama City Intermodal Distribution Center (Panama City) and Port Manatee Commerce Center (Palmetto). All four selected projects support and create a total of 1,213 direct and indirect jobs.

Please see the attached documents for additional information on the four projects and ILCs.

The 2014 funding cycle is now open. The department is accepting applications for the next \$5 million annual allocation:

<http://www.freightmovesflorida.com/intermodal-logistics-center/ilc-overview>

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